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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, lines 8-16 have been amended as follows:

An extension bar 1 includes a shank 2 and a square insert 6 projecting from the shank 2. A button 3 is put in the shank 2. A portion of the button 3 extends from the shank 2. A detent 4 is embedded in the square insert 6. A portion of the detent 4 extends from the square insert 6. A mechanism (not shown) is arranged between the button 3 and the detent 4 so that when the button 3 is pushed, the detent 4 is allowed to completely enter the square insert 6. Therefore, a user will have his or her fingers hurt by the button 3 if the extension bar 1 is accidentally rotated before the user takes his or her hand 5 off the extension bar 1.

Page 1, lines 18 and 19 have been amended as follows:

The present invention is therefore intended to obviate or at least alleviate the problems encountered in the prior art.

Page 2, lines 5-7 have been amended as follows:

Other ~~objects~~ objectives, advantages, and novel features of the invention will become more apparent from the following detailed description when taken in conjunction with the attached drawings.

Page 2, lines 23 and 24 have been amended as follows:

Figure 5 is another cross-sectional view of the protective sleeve ~~[[show]]~~ shown in Figure 2.

Page 3, lines 7-16 have been amended as follows:

Referring to Figures 2 and 3, an extension bar 10 and a protective sleeve 20 are shown. The extension bar 10 includes a shank 11 and a square insert 15 projecting from the shank 11. A button 12 includes a first portion extending into the shank 11 and a second portion normally extending from the shank 11. The square insert 15 includes four facets formed thereon. A detent 13 includes a first portion put in one of the facets and a second portion normally extending from that facet unless pressed. The square insert 15 can be inserted into a square hole defined in a

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socket (not shown). How the button 12 cooperates with the detent 13 is well known and will not be described in detail ~~for being conventional~~.

Page 3, lines 18-26 have been amended as follows:

The protective sleeve 20 includes a hole 21 defined in an axial direction so that the shank 11 can go through the hole 21 so that the protective sleeve 20 can be attached to the extension bar 10. The periphery of the protective sleeve 20 consists of a cylindrical portion 25, and a frustum-shaped portion 22 connects smoothly with the periphery of the shank 11. The protective sleeve 20 includes a recess 23 defined in the periphery. Within the recess 23, the protective sleeve 20 includes an aperture 24 ~~communicated~~ communicating with the hole 21. The aperture 24 is used for receiving the button 12.

Page 4, lines 6-9 have been amended as follows:

Referring to ~~figure~~ Figure 6, the button 12 is surrounded by ~~means of~~ the protective sleeve 20. Hence, a user will not push the button 12 by accident. Moreover, the user will not have his or her hand hurt by the button 12.